6: Sauer--122-123 G-5 (1785-94) 1802 Yakut
116, 153, 685, 674

"I have not traced any atrocious vices among the Yakuti or Socha. Robberies are seldom committed; sometimes, indeed, [123] they lose cattle; but this I believe to be more the effect of their straying than their being stolen, as detection is almost certain; for they have an astonishing memory, and relate all their losses at every public meeting, as weddings, &c.; and if any one has in his travels seen such a beast as is described, he relates where and when: thus they are traced, and the punishment is, not only restoration to the party injured, but the thief is compelled to make good all the losses of the other Yakuti during the year, whether he has stolen the property or not."

17: Erman--303 N-3 (1828-29) 1850 Yakut
116, 674, 152, 177

"In the neighbourhood of the Russians, the original good nature of the Yakuts has been adulterated with a great deal of vanity, and some covetousness. Crimes, though still rare among them, are no longer quite unheard of. When I was staying in the town, a man was murdered in the street, while returning to a yurt in the neighbourhood. Another Yakut came forward to say that he had found the dead body, but the day after he confessed that he was the murderer, and that his sole object was to get the dead man's money."